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ENERGIZING UTAH AND THE WORLD

ON BEHALF OF THE UINTAH ECONOMIC DEVELOP-MENT SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT, WE INVITE YOU TO PERUSE THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL REPORT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT ONE OF UTAH'S BEST KEPT SECRETS: UINTAH COUNTY. THIS AREA OF THE STATE HAS BECOME A PERFECT MIX OF RURAL LIFE ALONG WITH A PROGRESSIVE AND THRIVING COMMUNITY. During the past four years, Uintah County and Vernal City have seen remarkable growth and development. The region currently finds itself at the epicenter of national and international energy exploration and development. Multi-million dollar companies are deeply invested in the community and are contributing substantially to the local and state economy. Moreover, they have become valued community partners as they help contribute to the quality of life by mitigating the impacts of growth and development.

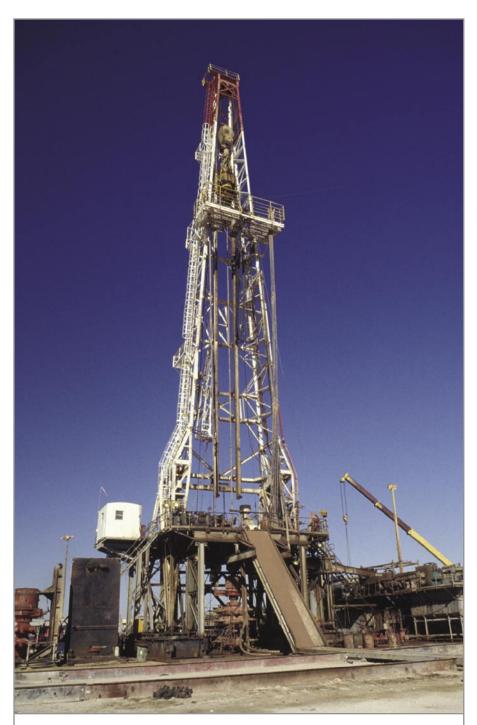
Uintah County is diversifying its economic base in significant ways. Education is a top priority for local residents. Utah State University has a mature, thriving and growing regional campus in the Uinta Basin. Serving almost 3,000 students, USU offers associate, bachelor, master and doctoral degrees. The Uinta Basin Applied Technology College delivers extractive industry training, allied health programs and custom fit training for local businesses. Both entities have seen record growth.

With the creation of the USTAR (Utah Science Technology and Research) initiative, northeastern Utah is poised to attract and grow new technology and business. The Uinta Basin is one of the designated USTAR Outreach Centers and we are working diligently to meet the needs of existing industry and attract new ones as well.

When local residents aren't working, there are plenty of ways for them to relax and recreate. Uintah County boasts a world-class museum as well as Dinosaur National Monument and Ashley National Forest. Flaming Gorge is 30 minutes north, Red Fleet Reservoir minutes away and Steinker Reservoir even closer. The county encompasses hundreds of hiking and mountain biking trails, fishing, water craft, a ride down the Green River, and much more. Annually, Uintah County hosts the Dinosaur Round-Up Rodeo, a Storytelling Festival, and the Holly Days Celebration, held Thanksgiving weekend.

All in all, the people of Uintah County are the best; caring, generous, committed to community and progressive are just some of the qualities you will find. Hopefully, you will find many new and engaging points of interest and opportunities as you explore the following pages. If you find yourself wanting to know more, come spend some time with us in Uintah County.

# **ENERGY**



**EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION** 

TURNING CHALLENGES INTO ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES IN UINTAH COUNTY'S EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRY

The price at the gas pump has everyone a bit on edge, and while gas prices continue to creep ever higher, the nagging question everyone keeps asking is, "Will it ever stop?" The answer, quite frankly, is probably not. America is an energy hungry nation, and there are other nations with much larger populations, like China and India, that are acquiring an American appetite for fuel. With the increasing demand for oil and natural gas worldwide, the state of Utah, and more particularly Uintah County, finds itself at the center of national and international interest.

#### **MAJOR PLAYERS**

Uintah County plays host to a variety of oil- and gas-related companies, including Anadarko, Questar, EOG, Dominion, and Encana. These companies are serious in their commitments to exploration and production in Uintah County.

One significant contributor in the area is Anadarko Petroleum Corporation. In the company's 2006 Annual Report, Anadarko officials note that "it significantly increased its tight gas and CBM holdings in the Rocky Mountain area through the acquisition of Kerr-McGee and Western. The acquisitions included tight-gas plays in the Greater Natural Buttes... The 2006 drilling program in the Greater Natural Buttes area in Uintah County, Utah was primarily focused on the Wasatch and Mesa Verde formations. The Company operates 1,180 wells in the area and has interest in over 550 non-operated wells."

Anadarko's interest in nearly 1,700 wells in Uintah County is underscored by its financial commitment to exploration and production. In the corporation's 2007 Capital Program, Anadarko set forth a plan to spend close \$4 billion dollars in overall exploration and production with 28 percent of the investment going to benefit the Rockies, which includes Uintah County. During the first quarter of 2007, Anadarko reports that it has already spent \$280 million in the Rockies. According to company reports, "the Greater Natural Buttes continued to set production records. During the first quarter, the field reached a daily production level of 241.6 Mcf/d gross. A total of 69 wells were spud in the first quarter. By the end of 2007, they expect 280 wells to be drilled under this year's program."

In terms of economic impact to Uintah County, this means millions of dollars flowing into the area from drilling and production. Industry leaders conservatively estimate that the cost of drilling one well is approximately \$2 million dollars, much of which flows into the local communities. Once the well is producing, the state of Utah and local com-

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munities benefit from the mineral lease revenues and severance tax on the production side. The state reported more than \$71 million in severance tax revenues from oil and gas production in 2006.

Utah-based Questar is also an energy leader in the Rockies and Uintah County. The company has a large inventory of identified developmentdrilling locations primarily at properties near Pinedale, Wyo, in the Uinta Basin and in the Elm Grove field of northwest Louisiana. Most of the company's current drilling activity is geared toward development; however, the company does conduct exploratory drilling to determine commerciality of its inventory of undeveloped leaseholds in prospects located primarily in the Rocky Mountain region. This can also include assessment of deeper reservoirs beneath currently producing horizons.

The company has operated continuously in many of its core Rockies areas since the 1920s, and in a recent press release, Questar officials noted that the company "grew net income 10 percent in the first quarter of 2007 to \$151.1 million." Questar's long-standing commitment to the Uinta Basin manifests itself in a variety of ways, including helping to mitigate social impacts through community outreach. This year, the Vernal Area Chamber of Commerce named Questar Business of the Year for its efforts.

#### **FULL SPEED AHEAD**

Much of the extractive activity that takes place in Uintah County is on land under the direction of the Bureau of Land Management, which means that the Vernal BLM office has to constantly run at full capacity to keep up with the demand for applications for permits to drill.

"The Vernal Field Office is the second busiest office in the nation and was named in the recent Energy Bill as an area of high impact," says Vernal Field Office Manager Bill Stringer. The Vernal Field Office receives extra appropriations to meet the needs of the extractive industry.

In 2006, the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mines reported that 2,062 wells received permits in the state. Of those, 1,364 received permits in Uintah County, making up 66 percent of the permitted wells. In the first four months of 2007, DOGMA reports that 466 wells have been permitted statewide with 269 permits issued in Uintah County.

Uintah County Commissioner Mike McKee is optimistic about the steady permitting trend and sees a bright future for the industry. "As a commission and community, we meet and collaborate regularly with the BLM and with our industry partners.

Indications are that APDs are on the rise and that demand remains constant," he says.

Vernal Mayor Allan Mashburn is no stranger to the ups and downs of the extractive industry, being an industry executive himself. Mayor Mashburn leads a progressive and visionary city council that is strategically positioning Vernal City to deal with the growth and its inherent challenges.

In a statement to the Utah Legislature, Mayor Mashburn noted that "all of Utah is facing tremendous challenges in terms of growth, and we are sensitive to the needs of the entire state. Our challenges with the extractive industry are unique, but with those challenges we see great economic opportunities for our local communities and for the state."

This spirit of opportunity is quite palpable in the community. Other municipalities like Naples, Ballard and Jensen are also gearing up to meet the challenges. The city of Naples is central to the extractive industry and has a well-developed industrial park, which provides the necessary space requirements for extractive operators.

#### ON THE NATIONAL STAGE

Beyond the state and local focus, the energy industry is truly a national issue. Utah's legislative delegation in Washington has been supportive of Uintah County on issues related to energy and technology development, as well as appropriate environmental stewardship and resource management. The need for fossil fuels to maintain national security is a high priority. If Uintah County can continue to add to the overall national production and reduce foreign dependency, then Utah can become a critical component to reducing dependence on foreign sources.

Reducing the overall dependency on foreign sources is going to take some "hard work and American ingenuity," says former Congressman Jim Hansen. Hansen has long been a supporter of innovative technologies and ensuring that Utah and the United States maintain positions at the vanguard of new developments. Speaking to a group of graduates at the Uinta Basin Applied Technology College, Hansen encouraged them to "find the means and the solutions to keep the state of Utah and America strong." Hansen also noted that Utah has the capacity to move forward and lead the world in fossil fuel research and development.

Hansen's words resonate and carry a vision that many people in the state have embraced. The Utah Science Technology and Research Initiative is alive and well in the Uinta Basin. At the head of the USTAR Eastern Region are two seasoned energy veterans: Al Walker, previously with Questar, and Mark Raymond, previously with Deseret Power. Together, and with their higher education partners, Utah State University and the University of Utah, they are setting the pace for solving some of the extractive industry's challenges. Work on water salinity and evaporation techniques, CO2 sequestration, oil sands and oil shale by products are at the top of the list, and the epicenter for the work is the Uinta Basin.

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Over the coming months and years, USTAR will contribute greatly to the research and knowledge base of the extractive industry, take technology to commercialization, and jump start companies that will diversify and sustain the state and local economies.

As Uintah County looks forward to the future, there is tremendous opportunity in the energy industry. County residents are no longer looking to a sole source for economic sustenance.

"It is going to take all of us-citizens, local government, state and federal government, and industry-to meet the challenges and seize the opportunities," says County Commissioner Mike McKee. Diversification through business incubation, education, technology enhancement and the creation of dynamic partnerships are central to the overall success of the area; yet at the hub of activity are the energy partners.

"More than anything," says Robert Behunin, CEO of the Uintah Economic Development District, "the opportunities that await Uintah County and the state of Utah are limited only by our desire and ingenuity. In the state and in the Basin, we have the right leadership, the right vision, the right commitment and the necessary resources to make positive and lasting social and economic impacts."

# EDUCATION



### **REACH HIGHER**

### CREATING HIGHER EDUCATION THAT IS STRONG, STABLE AND ATTRACTIVE

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One of the great assets to the residents of Uintah County is the area's thriving education system. Higher education has had a strong presence in the area for many years, reflecting a statewide commitment to educating its residents. Uintah County believes in this vision and supports two higher education institutions: Uinta Basin Applied Technology College and Utah State University. Although each entity has a distinct mission, both have found that cooperation and collaboration bring tremendous strength and growth.

Over the years, education in Uintah County has seen its booms and busts. Traditionally, when

economic times have flourished, enrollments at USU and UBATC have declined. When labor demands are large, students typically turn away from expensive and time consuming education for more immediate and lucrative rewards in the energy industry.

In the present scenario, however, the situation is dramatically different. Enrollment at USU has grown 105 percent over the last five years and UBATC has grown 7 percent, though employment in the energy industry continues to flourish as well. Both institutions point directly to their industry partners, local government and private citizens as the important difference between this and other times

Further fueling programs at both institutions, energy companies are requiring more technical, safety, managerial and business training for their employees. Both USU Uinta Basin and UBATC specialize in meeting those needs. Moreover, the two institutions have found creative and innovative ways to partner with the energy companies.

This programmatic partnership exists in others areas as well between the two institutions and has literally paved the way to a more extensive collaboration. Together, UBATC and USU have partnered to construct a new 80,000-square-foot facility that will house programs and classes from both institutions and is slated to open in fall of 2008.

One of the unique features of this building is that it will also have a USTAR component. A statewide initiative, the Utah Science Technology and Research program will have space in the new building to help enhance the commercialization of technologies developed by the university.

The state has chosen Mark Raymond, a life-long resident of Uintah County, to serve as USTAR's associate director of business development in the northeast region. Raymond is currently working on projects related to the fossil fuel industry that combine research from USU and the University of Utah. Uintah County is already seeing the economic impact and power of the USTAR initiative which is designed to stimulate economic growth by creating alliances with higher education, industry and entrepreneurship.

#### UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY UINTA BASIN

As a public land-grant institution, Utah State University is expanding and enhancing the educational opportunities of the citizens of Utah by building a system of regional campuses that will support and facilitate the delivery of USU courses and degree programs throughout the state.

In building this system, the University is guided by two over-arching principles to help achieve educational goals. The organization first strives to create an integrated and coordinated academic structure that ensures the quality and consistency of all USU courses regardless of where they are delivered, by what means they are delivered or who delivers them. This means a student at the Vernal campus will receive the same quality of education as a student attending the Logan campus. Second, USU is working to create locally relevant courses and degree programs which reflect the educational priorities of our partner communities.

The largest and most mature regional campus is located in the Uinta Basin. This campus began about 30 years ago when legislators and residents in the basin felt strongly about the need for higher education in their communities. Banding together, they lobbied to have a USU presence and won. Initially, local professionals delivered courses, thereby giving basin residents live instruction and the beginnings of a satellite campus in their area. USU went to even greater lengths and flew professors into the basin from the Logan campus to teach courses and seminars.

With today's technology, courses are now delivered to the basin via two-way interactive satellite video. Students learn using modern educational conveniences that provide access to more courses and instructors. More importantly, USU Uinta Basin is host to full-time, nationally recognized faculty who live and work in the basin. These faculty and the many support staff serve nearly 3,000 local students. Partnered with quality lectures and classroom instruction, the basin has one of the most extensive broadcast and reception systems in the State of Utah. This system allows USU Uinta Basin to both receive and broadcast classes throughout the state.

The university's success in the area continues to build. In 2006, USU Uinta Basin awarded 235 undergraduate and graduate degrees. As resources grow and programs develop, the basin campus will play an increasingly important role in the educational future of the area.

#### **UINTA BASIN APPLIED TECHNOLOGY COLLEGE**

The mission of the Uinta Basin Applied Technology College is to give students the skills employers need most. Students focus on mastering workplace skills which have been identified by industry. In fact, 68 percent of jobs in Utah require the kind of training available through the UBATC. That training fuels economic development and attracts new industry while providing an economically viable future for students and their families.

In 2006, UBATC boasted 5,353 students who accumulated more than 500,000 membership hours. Over the last three years, the campus has seen tremendous growth, and anticipates more with the recent educational demands of the growing economy. To meet these demands, UBATC is offering courses and training specifically designed to anticipate the requests of the energy industry.

Last year, UBATC had more than 1,900 people enrolled in energy and transportation related courses. As of the first quarter of 2007, enrollment estimates project an increase over last year by nearly 24 percent. The key to this sustained growth is close partnerships with more than 100 energyrelated businesses in the area, who provide support and occupation opportunities.

UBATC is an accredited academic institution by the Council on Occupational Education. The school offers two Associate of Applied Technology degrees and certificates in business, allied health, trades and industry, petroleum, energy services and transportation.

to the new UBATC/USU Vernal building project; the Uintah Transportation District is constructing roads around the building; Vernal City purchased and donated the building where USU currently resides. This level of commitment has created an enthusiasm that has spread to local businesses and individual citizens.

In 2005, Vernal businessman Bob Williams donated 138 acres of land valued at \$5.3 million to USU for higher education purposes. The Williams property will be the site for the new UBATC/ USU building.

Since Williams' contribution, others have stepped forward to make significant bequests to help support higher education. To date, private sources have donated more than \$8 million, with another \$6 million currently pledged.

"Nothing happens unless someone does something," said Williams at the recent groundbreaking for the new building. For higher education in Uintah County, people are truly stepping forward to do something, and their actions will help diversify the economy to create strong, stable and attractive higher education for years to come.

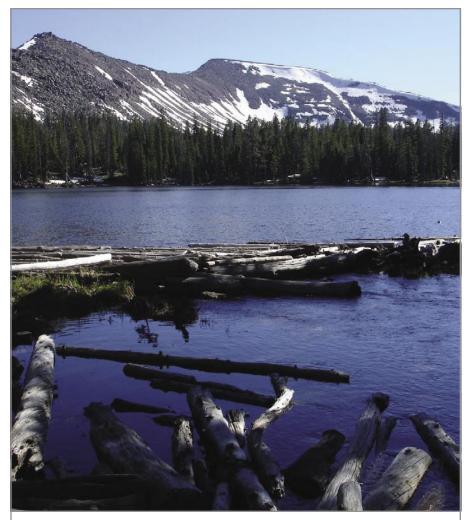
#### **EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS**

**UBATC** and USU programs ner on many deliver high quality education and to stimulate the local, regional and state economy. The UBATC allied health and nursing program is just one example of the successful collaboration. USU provides all the science, biology, chemistry and anatomy prerequisite courses that service the clinical and practical curriculum offered at UBATC. Students working to become registered nurses can do so through the Weber State Distance Education Nursing Program, which is offered in the area on an annual basis. As a result, the venture produces welltrained and knowledgeable nurses ready to work at regional facilities.

Local government has played a huge role in the overall posturing and commitment to higher education. Government, city, county and state have supported the endeavor in a variety of ways. Uintah County has given financial support



# **TOURISM**



## OUTDOOR ADVENTURES & ANCIENT EXPLORATION

### A LOOK AT TOURISM IN UINTAH COUNTY

As any of Uintah County's frequent tourists can attest, northeastern Utah is a great place to visit. With its rich geologic history, pristine landscape and developed parks system, visitors can spend a weekend or a lifetime getting to know the area. Tourists looking for a wilderness escape head to Uintah County to discover the area's fishing, hiking, biking and other recreational opportunities. And they keep coming back; the tourism industry brings in more than \$100 million each year to the county, according to the Uintah County Tourism

Profile compiled by the state.

Because of the extensive recreation system, some say the entire area is built within a park. In 2004, 68 percent of county land was either federally or state owned, according to the state records. For residents, this means plenty of well-maintained, beautiful areas for picnics, sporting events and concerts. For tourists, it means world-renowned state parks, museums and monuments. The following are just a few of the great places that Unitah County has to offer:

#### DINOSAUR NATIONAL MONUMENT

While Dinosaur National Monument offers an array of activities such as whitewater rafting or boating, it's really the bones that keep visitors coming. More than 1,500 bones and fossils have been unearthed at the monument with the constant possibility of future discoveries.

About 150 million years ago, a system of rivers made their way through a shallow valley and small ponds dotted the landscape, making it an ideal setting for dinosaurs. Rediscovering the dinosaur bone fragments, including a "string" of vertebrae, is often the highlight of this excursion through the layers of time.

Early man followed the dinosaurs, leaving marks and drawings behind. Petroglyphs and pictographs found throughout the park spark many questions of origin from curious visitors, but often only incomplete answers follow. Some of the clearest and most accessible rock art can be found along the Tour of the Tilted Rocks auto tour route. Several designs depict recognizable figures, such as big horn sheep, lizards, and people; however, the meaning of these figures lingers as a mystery.

That mystery attracted early explorers to the monument's pristine setting. John Wesley Powell was one of the first explorers to brave the canyon's white waters by boat. In his journal, he wrote of his passage through Split Mountain: "Down the river we are carried by the swift waters at great speed ... its waters are heaped up in great billows, that tumble back in breakers... The bow of the boat leaps high on a great wave; the rebounding waters hurl us back, and the peril is past." Today visitors can experience that same type of river adventure on a one- to five-day rafting trip through Dinosaur National Monument's canyon country.

Tourists can also explore Dinosaur National Monument by driving one of two auto tours, hiking many trails, or rafting the rivers and experiencing an adventure that is waiting to be discovered. Ranger led programs offered daily from Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day offer additional opportunities for discovery with the help of skilled guides.

The Yampa and Green Rivers have sculpted dramatic and steep chasms in the monument's canyon country. Any of the overlooks along the Harpers Corner auto tour route provide sprawling 100-mile vistas. Visitors prepared for a steep decent through the narrow, steep walled Sand and Pool Canyons may enjoy a drive to a large meadow at the confluence of the Green and Yampa Rivers named Echo Park.

A short trail near the visitor center allows newcomers to walk through layers of time and find clues that reveal the changing environments of the past. Investigation of the rock layer at one end of the trail unveils numerous small fossils such as belemnites and ammonites, ocean creatures thought to have lived in Utah 160 million years ago. Several rock layers and 75 million years later, this area was again covered by an ocean, as evident by the fish scales found in a different rock layer at the opposite end of the trail. No matter which trail is taken, Dinosaur National Monument uncovers mysteries and adventures for all explorers.

#### THE ASHLEY NATIONAL FOREST

Visitors to the Ashley National Forest can take a step in the shoes of trappers, explorers, outlaws and even in dinosaur tracks. From the peaceful solitude of the mountains in the High Uintas Wilderness Area to world-class fishing for lake trout on Flaming Gorge, the Ashley National Forest provides a stunning destination for diverse ages and interests.

Starting with ancient Paleoindians hunting along the Green River and on to Fremont farmers storing their corn in hidden granaries on canyon walls, the forest holds more than 10,000 years of history. The story of the Ashley National Forest is a colorful parade of trappers, explorers, outlaws, mountain men, miners, cowboys, sheepherders, settlers, and loggers who have all left their mark on the land.

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Today the Ashley National Forest offers timber, grazing, minerals, water, and outdoor recreation to its users. More than 2.5 million visitors come to the forest each year to participate in activities, such as boating, backpacking, horseback riding, and cross-country skiing. Forest landscapes range from high desert country to high mountain areas, ensuring a setting for a range of outdoor activities. "People come for the world-class fisheries, the geology with the fossils and to come to an area that's not necessarily packed with people," says Louis Haynes, public affairs officer for the forest. "They can still find that escape into wilderness if that's what they're looking for."

Utahns and outside visitors alike flock to more than a million acres of national forest that make up Ashley. The park offers more than 1,100 group and family campsites, making it a popular escape in the great outdoors. Adventure lovers snowmobile in the winter and come back with ATV's in the summer to enjoy 1,900 miles of roads. Mountain climbers head toward King's Peak, Utah's highest peak soaring to more than 13,000 feet. Hikers and bikers choose from 10 trailheads, with 1,200 total trail miles

And Ashley's forest workers are striving to make sure people will be able to keep coming back to their favorite trails for years to come with stabilization projects. "We're making sure the ground we're looking at today is here for future generations," says Haynes.

#### UTAH FIELD HOUSE OF NATURAL HISTORY

Originally built in 1948, the Utah Field House of Natural History finished an expansion and remodel in 2004 complete with a theater, classroom, interactive exhibits, wall-sized murals and enough exhibit space for a 90-foot dinosaur to feel right at home. For many decades, the museum has delighted and awed visitors and locals with its natural history collections, which include fossils as well as archaeological artifacts, such as 1200-year-old Fremont pottery and arrowheads and a fine collection of Ute

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surrounding Uinta Mountains to study a geologic past that pushes back into the early history of the planet. To house these geologic treasures, a building was designed that could display specimens from single-celled organisms to present day flora and fauna, complete with a lab for the preparation and study of fossils.

Today, the Utah Field House, located two blocks east of the previous site, interprets and displays these local collections to reflect the most accurate science available. "The quality of this museum is anything you'd see in a big city, but the advantage we have is that we sit in the middle of these resources," says Mary Beth Bennis-Smith, Curator of Education, "Here, you walk outside and you're right back inside the exhibits we highlight.

The very fact that we sit amidst these treasures makes it so special and wonderful."

Visitors to the Jurassic Hall will be able to view the correct number and arrangement of plates on the Stegosaurus or view 288 panels displaying fossil plants and insects from the Green River Formation, an ancient lake environment surrounded by tropical forests, complete with alligators and primates. Vivid murals and tile floors help visitors connect geological time to real-time places in Vernal and museum goers can do their own investigating with books, models, puzzles and bones and chisels.

Most visitors end their Uintah fossil journey with a trip through the gardens where dinosaur lovers can meet fourteen life size prehistoric models face to face, including a wooly mammoth, a Triceratops and the king of the Cretaceous world, T-rex.

#### OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Voted by PRCA Cowboys and Contract Personnel as one of the Top Five Rodeos in the World, the Dinosaur Roundup Rodeo competition is geared only for the fearless, bruised and bravest cowpoke. Since 1869, rodeo has been the sport of choice for these athletes and draws a crowd of 1,200 people annually from across the nation, according to the Vernal Chamber of Commerce. With \$100,000 in cash prizes awarded each year, the pro's give it their all at the Western Park Convention Center, competing in bull riding, saddle and bareback bronc riding, team roping, calf roping, steer wrestling and barrel racing.

The Western Heritage Museum features displays of early settlers, artifacts of the Fremont and Ute Indian, a blacksmith display, a country store, pioneer ladies fashions, and a one-room school. Old rifles, saddles and tack and picture galleries of Uintah County Sheriffs and Women of Courage are also on display.

The Daughters of the Utah Pioneers Museum is housed in the first tithing office in Vernal, a rock building erected in 1887 by the Uintah Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. It showcases artifacts, pictures, and history of the area from the mid-1800s.

Although there are a lot of activities going on, Unitah County residents still take time to get to know their neighbors. Uintah County is known for its unspoiled beauty and unique history but locals say it's also a family-friendly place. Ashley Forest's Haynes says a pleasant ambiance permeates the entire area. "It still has that small town atmosphere with lots of smiles and hellos, and that's something you don't find in a lot of places anymore."



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